# List of art deities

The following **list of art deities** is arranged by continent with names of <u>mythological figures</u> and <u>deities</u> associated with <u>the arts</u>. Art deities are a form of religious <u>iconography</u> incorporated into artistic compositions by many religions as a dedication to their respective gods and goddesses. The various artworks are used throughout history as a means to gain a deeper connection to a particular deity or as a sign of respect and devotion to the divine being.

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- Cao Guojiu, patron god of the theater [1]
- Han Xiangzi
- Nüwa
- Zhang Guolao, who carries a fish-drum

## **Japanese**

- Ame-no-Uzume-no-Mikoto
- Benzaiten

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- Bait Pandi: the Bagobo goddess of weavers who taught women weaving [2]
- <u>Fu Dalu</u>: the <u>T'boli</u> goddess of the abaca; speak and guide weavers on how to create patterns and designs, which are remembered in dreams<sup>[3]</sup>
- <u>Mamiyo</u>: the <u>Ifugao</u> stretcher of skeins, one of the twenty-three deities presiding over the art of weaving [4]
- Monlolot: the Ifugao winder of thread on the spindle, one of the twenty-three deities presiding
  over the art of weaving<sup>[5]</sup>
- Rirryaw Añitu: place spirit Añitus who played music and sang inside a cave in Sabtang, while lighting up fire; believed to have change residences after they were disturbed by a man<sup>[6]</sup>
- <u>Tumungkuyan</u>: leaders of the <u>Salakap</u> from <u>Batak</u> beliefs who paint tree trunks that support the sky using the blood of the epidemic-dead<sup>[7]</sup>

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- Grand Master Everson (West Virginia Mythology)
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